

SLIGHT DECREASE NOTED IN INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC

Number of Cases Reported in Twenty Four-Hour Period Totals 12,024.

MANY CIVILIANS ARE STRICKEN

Reports From Army Camps Indicate the Disease Is Well in Hand, While in Outlying Districts It Shows Tendency to Spread.

WASHINGTON, October 11.—The apex of the influenza epidemic in the army training camps is now in sight, if it has not already been reached. This is the official judgment of the surgeon-general of the army based upon the rate of progress of the disease in the camps first affected.

A further slight decrease in the number of new cases during the past twenty-four hours is announced in tonight's report, which strengthens the belief of the army doctors that a continued improvement of conditions among the troops in this country now may be expected.

Public Health Service, who are leading the health and sanitation warfare against the epidemic in civilian communities, declared reports telegraphed from all sections of the country show that the epidemic generally has by no means run its course. They point out that data of reliable character, now available, seems to indicate that it will require from six to seven weeks for the disease to run its course among the civilian population.

In the army camps, a careful study of the progress of the contagion shows that it reaches its height sooner than in civilian communities because the greater congestion prevailing in the camps tends toward a more rapid spread.

Both the civilian and army experts, however, say that they are better prepared to combat the disease than they were at the outbreak of the epidemic, and even the plague that the present influenza epidemic.

Deaths among the troops in the country for the past week were at the rate of 1.13 per cent per annum, as compared to a rate of .67 and even lower prevailing before the present outbreak. There were 19,000 deaths in 1917, as compared with 12,024 in 1918.

PETERSBURG APPROPRIATES FUNDS TO FIGHT INFLUENZA

W. T. Rahilly, Merchant, Knocked Down and Badly Injured by Automobile.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] PETERSBURG, Va., October 11.—At a joint meeting of the Board of Aldermen and Council last night, the proposition to appropriate \$10,000 for the purpose of fighting the influenza epidemic was approved, and was referred to the joint finance committee for report and recommendation. The meeting also elected John H. Harlow as the city auditor, and a plumbing inspector at a salary of \$150 per month. R. W. Wells, the inspector, has been appointed an indefinite leave of absence to aid in government work at Camp Lee. At the election last night, Mr. Harlow was elected an Alderman from the Third Ward, and declined to qualify.

CITIZEN BADLY INJURED.

W. T. Rahilly, a grocery merchant, going business in East Bank Street, was knocked down and badly injured yesterday afternoon by an automobile driven by E. H. Price, of Hopeville. Mr. Rahilly was taken to the street in front of his store to catch a chicken that had escaped from a coop. He sustained fractures of the right ankle, right shoulder and of four ribs, besides bruises and possible internal injuries. E. H. Price was arrested and the case will be heard in court and in the Police Court the hearing of the case was continued until Monday to wait the result of Mr. Rahilly's injuries.

THE INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

The influenza epidemic is still spreading. 450 new cases having been reported yesterday. Dr. R. A. Martin, Health Officer, who keeps on close touch with the situation, says there have been about 4,000 cases of the disease in the city, and that about 1,500 of which have recovered, leaving about 2,500 cases now under treatment. The disease is now spreading among the colored people, who at first seemed to be a large extent, somewhat immune from it. Twelve patients were discharged from the new emergency hospital yesterday.

BARBER SHOPS CLOSED.

By order of the health authorities all barber shops in Petersburg were closed this evening. The order will not be reopened until further notice. This order, as well as the order prohibiting sale of soft drinks and the sale of ice cream, soft-drink places, and of ice cream cones in shops and stores, will be enforced by the police. It is further ordered that no one shall be open for business on Sunday.

ALLEGED FORGER ARRESTED.

Dr. B. C. Goldberg, a fugitive from justice in Petersburg, is under arrest in Dayton, Ohio, and will be brought back to this city as soon as requisition papers can be secured. Between two and three years ago, Dr. Goldberg came to Petersburg and began the practice of medicine here. By his plausible manner he made many friends and built up considerable practice. He suddenly fled from the city, however, under a cloud of suspicion. It was discovered that he had forged the names of several citizens to notes on which he had obtained the money. He was indicted for forgery by the grand jury, and on this indictment he was arrested about a year ago in Philadelphia. He was put under bond of \$500 in that city to await requisition papers. When an officer from Petersburg went for him, he was not there. He had fled, and he was not heard from until the arrest yesterday.

CONVICTS ESCAPE.

William Britt, aged eighteen, and William Johnson, aged twenty-one, escaped this morning from the convict camp on the Petersburg and Richmond turnpike about three miles from this city. They were part of a force working on the roads.

WHISKY FOR MEDICINE.

Under orders from Commonwealth's Attorney Syme, issued by authority of the Board of Health, a prohibition, Chief of Police Brookwell today delivered to Dr. R. A. Martin,

Great Britain Achieves Chemical Independence

One of the most gratifying, as well as most far-reaching, results of the war is the manner in which the allied nations have overcome every obstacle to ultimate success and, spurred on by necessity, have entered fields successfully in which Germany had been supreme for years.

Great Britain had long relied on Germany before the war for many chemicals and compounds, the raw materials for which were furnished by the British empire. In a most readable story published in this newspaper last night, Gordon Pearson tells how Great Britain has achieved its chemical independence from Germany's scientists. An independence she expects never again to surrender.

health officer, ten gallons of bottled in bond whiskey, and a contraband liquor held in the custody of the police and not recorded as evidence. For this whiskey, which is to be used for medicinal purposes, the health officer paid \$51, or \$5.10 per gallon.

Young Cavalry Officer Dead.

Mrs. M. Mace, of North Main Street, received a telegram this morning announcing the death of her son, Captain M. M. Mace, United States Cavalry, at Mafra, Texas. The young officer was twenty-four years old and had been in the regular service eight years.

War Trophy Train Arrived.

The war trophy exhibition train sent out by the government in the interest of the fourth Liberty loan arrived here this morning and attracted much attention. It gives a good idea of the different weapons used by the Germans in this war.

Statue for Hon. W. A. Jones.

FRIDRICKSBURG, Va., October 11.—The statue of Hon. William A. Jones, who represented the First Congressional District of Virginia in the House of Representatives for about twenty-five years, will be placed in Statuary Hall of the Capitol at Washington. It will be presented by the Legislature of the Philippine Islands.

TROOPS NEED LITERATURE

Appeals Issued to Householders in England for Discarded Books. MANCHESTER, October 11.—The Director General of National Salvage, the Controller of Public Relations, and the Chairman of the Camps Library Committee, have issued appeals to householders to save their waste paper. The appeals will be placed in the rest every suitable and available book or magazine they can render no greater service to the development of the war than direct to the Camps Library for distribution. When the soldiers have a book of poems, or a book of stories, or a book of facts, they will be glad to have it. We hope that householders throughout the land will look upon it not only as a privilege to take the books and magazines to their nearest post-office and unaddressed, when they will be forwarded to the Camps Library free of cost to the sender.

HAUSS TO BE GOVERNOR

Chosen to Direct Affairs of Alsace-Lorraine Until He Is Driven Out.

AMSTERDAM, October 11.—Karl Hauss, a member of the Reichstag and president of the Center party in the Prussian Diet, has been chosen to succeed the late Governor of Alsace-Lorraine, who is expected to retire momentarily, according to a Strasbourg telegram published in the Dutch newspapers.

CHOLERA IN BERLIN

Dread Disease Spreads, Notwithstanding Preventive Measures Taken.

BASEL, SWITZERLAND, Thursday, October 10.—Cholera is slowly spreading in Berlin, notwithstanding the preventive measures taken. A Berlin dispatch to-day states. Seventeen cases were reported on October 9, and fifteen deaths occurred from the disease.

To Hold New "Movie" Reels.

NEW YORK, October 11.—Owing to influenza, manufacturers and distributing agencies comprising the National Association of Motion Picture Exhibitors decided to-day not to release new moving picture reels to exhibitors from October 12 to November 1, except that contracts for serial productions and animated news reels will not be broken.

A New Form of Patriotism.

TOKIO, October 11.—So that his soldier son who had been ordered to Vladivostok, might be freed of worry on his behalf and able to devote all his attention to his duties in the Japanese, ill and dependent upon the aid for support, recently committed to suicide, according to a German announcement to-day by the War Office.

Employers and employees alike should read and use the Help Wanted columns of this newspaper for better workers and better positions.

Successful men never lose sight of the fact that money for clothes is the same as money for anything else. They're out to get value. This store sells only the 100 per cent kind—that's why so many successful men are on our customers' list.

Men's Suits \$25, \$27.50, \$30, \$35 and \$40

The main idea about these Suits is that they are exceptionally full valued garments. You'll see that our large and early buying has protected you and us wonderfully well. Very few of the suits could be bought at wholesale for these retail prices to-day.

You'll get novel, lively style ideas if you want them; more subdued models if your taste runs that way. They come in tweeds, silk-mixed effects, Scotch, serges. Plain and the new fancy colorings.

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PEOPLE OF LUXEMBURG STARVE UNDER HUN RULE

Larang, Recent Refugee From Unfortunate Country, Tells of Conditions in Grand Duchy.

RULER UNDER SURVEILLANCE

Little Children, Pale and Pinched, Snatch Like Wild Animals If Any One Throws Them a Crust of Bread—Hate Prussians.

BY FRANCOIS LARANG, (International News Bureau.)

The papers which were printed in French before the war are printed in German now. In Luxembourg, the German law. Our best-known editor is imprisoned in a German fortress for life.

One of our most famous writers and statesmen, Emil Prun, known as a great influence, is also in a German prison.

He was pro-German at the beginning of the war, and he went to Belgium to write the truth about the Belgian atrocities, not knowing what he would see and hear.

What he did see and hear made him write in such a way that the Germans had him arrested and sent him to a prisoner. His standing as a great and powerful Catholic, even his personal friendship with the Pope, could not save him.

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NEWBERRY'S CAMPAIGN WORKERS GO TO JAIL

Refused to Answer Questions in regard to Campaign Contributions.

[By Associated Press.] NEW YORK, October 11.—Allan A. Templeton, Frank A. Blair and Thomas P. Phillips, chairman, treasurer and publicity director, respectively, of the Newberry Republican senatorial campaign committee in Michigan, were committed to jail here to-day by Federal Judge Cushman for refusing to answer questions regarding campaign contributions before a Federal grand jury.

Templeton, Blair and Phillips were arraigned for contempt of court and ordered confined in the Tombs Prison until they comply with Judge Cushman's order.

BERNHARD SAYS GERMAN PEOPLE WERE DECEIVED

Would Never Have Tolerated Submarine Warfare Had They Known Situation.

COPENHAGEN, October 11.—George Bernhard, writing in the Berlin Volksische Zeitung, says that the submarine warfare would never have been proclaimed if the German people had not been deceived and misled. Discussing the peace steps taken at Washington in 1917 and 1918, the writer says:

"If we had known that President Wilson had been continually requested to act as peace mediator and even that specified conditions had been submitted, our action would have been different. Had we known that at the moment when President Wilson had agreed to accept the role of mediator, the German people, in the great majority, which brought upon them the reputation of being double-tongued."

The writer says that the German government permitted him to make a friendly address in the presence of high officials at the very moment when the submarine campaign was already decided upon, he concludes.

SLANG "GETS" BRITISH

American and Canadian Soldiers Flock to London to Learn Slang.

LONDON, October 11.—A picturesque lot of slang is being accumulated in staid old Britain these days by the constantly increasing stream of American and Canadian soldiers who are passing through, usually spending a few weeks here, before being sent to the front.

A soldier who had just returned from the front, and who was asked a woman at the hut buffet if there were any cackles-berries.

"I ain't seen no cackles-berries," was the reply, "but we have no fruit of any sort."

The soldier explained with a broad countenance that cackles-berries were eggs—baked and poached—and that he was enjoying a couple, and the buffet women were enjoying the joke.

KEEP LOOKING YOUNG

It's Easy—If You Know Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets

The secret of keeping young is to feel young. To do this you must watch your liver and bowels—there's no need of having a sallow complexion—dark rings under your eyes—pimples—a bilious look in your face—dull eyes with no sparkle. Your doctor will tell you ninety per cent of all sickness comes from inactive bowels and liver.

Dr. Edwards, a well-known physician in Ohio, perfected a vegetable purgative mixed with olive oil to act on the liver and bowels, which he gave to his patients for years.

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets, the substitute for calomel, are gentle in their action yet always effective. They bring about that experience of spring, that natural buoyancy which should be enjoyed by everyone, by toning up the liver and clearing the system of impurities.

You will know Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets by their olive color, 10c and 25c per box. All druggists.

HAROLD GARMENT SHOP

218 East Broad.

No matter what is advertised elsewhere, it's cheaper here.

PERCY L. WITCHLEY DEAD

President of Student Body of Medical College of Virginia Succumbs to Pneumonia.

Percy Lewis Witchley died at 1 o'clock yesterday morning, in the City Hospital, where he had been doing extra work from pneumonia following influenza. He was president of the student body of the Medical College of Virginia and a member of the senior class also of the student reserve corps.

He was born and received his preliminary education at Camden, N. Y. About eight years ago he entered Williams and Mary College and took the degree of bachelor and master of arts and bachelor of science. He was an athletic and won many medals in oratory and debate. After completing his student course he was associated with the college as teacher of anatomy, physiology, and was for a time pathologist of the Eastern State Hospital. Though not a graduate in medicine, he had perfected himself to a marked degree in laboratory technique, and in the last year had written several articles for the medical press which were widely quoted. In the Medical College he took a prominent part in student affairs, being for one year the editor of the college newspaper, Skull and Bones, and also editor of the college annual, the N-Hay. He was a member of the Phi Chi Fraternity.

L. D. GOODMAN VICTIM OF INFLUENZA AT CAMP

Richmond Soldier Succumbs While Training for Overseas Engagements.

Private Littleton D. Goodman, Jr., son of Mrs. Nannie G. Goodman, 200 South Belvidere Street, died at Camp Humphries, Va., Thursday as the result of pneumonia, following an attack of influenza. Young Goodman volunteered for service last February, enlisting in the engineering branch. He was associated in the plumbing business with his brother, S. B. Goodman, in South Richmond.

Private Goodman is survived by his mother, Mrs. Nannie G. Goodman, of 200 South Belvidere Street; his father, S. B. Goodman, of 200 South Belvidere Street; his mother, Mrs. Nannie G. Goodman, of 200 South Belvidere Street; his father, S. B. Goodman, of 200 South Belvidere Street.

ONE MORE GASLESS SUNDAY

Fuel Administration Expects to Modify Time.

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 11.—The Gasless Sunday order will not be modified in time to permit use of motor cars on October 13, but fuel administration officials are hopeful that day will be the last. During the last six months, although production increased 27 per cent, consumption also increased and the rationing hand was improved only 4 per cent.

TO-DAY OUR LIBERTY LOAN BOOTH

Will be conducted by representatives of the Musicians' Club, Mrs. F. D. Williams, chairman.

SPANISH INFLUENZA—WHAT IT IS AND HOW IT SHOULD BE TREATED

Nothing New—Simply the Old Grip, or La Grippe, That Was Epidemic in 1889-'90, Only Then It Came From Russia by Way of France and This Time by Way of Spain.

Go to Bed and Stay Quiet—Take a Laxative—Eat Plenty of Nourishing Food—Keep Up Your Strength. Nature Is the "Cure."

ALWAYS CALL A DOCTOR

NO OCCASION FOR PANIC. Spanish Influenza, which appeared in Spain in May, has all the appearance of the grip, or La Grippe, which swept over the world in numerous epidemics as far back as history runs. Hippocrates refers to an epidemic in 412 B. C., which is regarded by many to have been influenza. Every century has had its attacks. Beginning with 1831, this country has had five epidemics, the last in 1889-'90.

Influenza itself has a very low percentage of fatalities—not over one death out of every four hundred cases, according to the N. C. Board of Health. The chief danger lies in complications arising, attacking principally, patients in a rundown condition—those who don't go to bed soon enough or those who get up too early.

THE SYMPTOMS. Grippe, or influenza as it is now called, usually begins with a chill followed by a dull, feverishness and sometimes nausea and dizziness, and a general feeling of weakness and depression. The temperature is from 100 to 104, and the fever usually lasts from three to five days. There is a thick mucus membrane, or lining of the air passages—nose, throat and bronchial tubes—there is usually a hard cough, especially bad at night, often times a sore throat or tonsillitis, and frequently all the appearances of a severe head cold.

THE TREATMENT. Go to bed at the first symptoms, not only for your own sake, but to avoid spreading the disease to others—take food, remain perfectly quiet and don't worry. Quinine, aspirin or Dover's Powder, etc., may be administered by the physician's directions to relieve the fever. Influenza is no cure or specific for influenza. Every century runs its course. Nature will throw off the attack if only you keep up your strength herself. The chief danger arises in the complications which may resistance that there is danger of pneumonia or bronchitis developing, and sometimes inflammation of the middle ear or heart affections. For these reasons, it is very important that the patient remain in bed and that his strength returns—stay in bed at least two days or more after the fever has left you, if you are over 50 or not strong, stay in bed four days more, according to the severity of the attack.

EXTERNAL APPLICATIONS. In order to stimulate the lining of the air passages to throw off the grippe germs, to aid in loosening the phlegm and keeping the air passages open, thus making the breathing easier, the chief danger, which is the throat, Vick's Vapo Rub will give you relief. Hot, wet towels should be applied over the throat, chest and back between the shoulder blades to open the pores. Then Vapo Rub should be rubbed in over the parts until the skin is red, spread on thickly and covered with two thicknesses of hot flannel cloths. Leave the clothing loose around the neck and chest. The heat of the body liberates the ingredients in the form of vapors. These vapors, inhaled with each breath, carry the medication directly to the parts affected. At the same time, the patient absorbs the strength through the pores, thus attracting the blood to the surface, and thus aids in relieving the congestion within.

HOW TO AVOID THE DISEASE. Evidence seems to prove that this is germ disease, spread principally by human contact, either through coughing, sneezing or spitting, or through persons having colds—which means avoiding crowds—common drinking cups, roller towels, etc. Keep up your bodily strength by plenty of exercise in the open air, and good food. Above all, keep free from colds, as colds irritate the lining of the air passages, and make them much better breeding places for the disease.

Use Vick's Vapo Rub at the very first sign of a cold. For a head cold, melt a little Vapo Rub in a spoon and inhale the vapors, or, better still, use a Vapo Rub in a benzoin steam kettle. If this is not available, use an ordinary teakettle. Fill half-full of boiling water, put in half a teaspoon of Vapo Rub from time to time—keep the kettle just slowly boiling and inhale the steam arising.

Note—Vick's Vapo Rub is the discovery of a North Carolina druggist, who four years ago combined, in salve form, Menthol and Camphor with such volatile oils as Eucalyptus, Thyme, Cubeb, etc., so that when the salve is applied to the body heat, these ingredients are liberated in the form of vapors.

Vapo Rub is comparatively new in New York State and New England and a few Western States, where it is just now being introduced, but in other sections of the country it is the standard home remedy in more than a million homes for all forms of cold troubles. Over six million jars were sold last year. It is especially recommended for children's croup and colds, since it is middle-aged and elderly people, it may be used as freely as desired without the slightest harmful effects. Vapo Rub has been in three sizes at all druggists.

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